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# USDA Export Verification (EV) Program Specified Product Requirements for Bovine - Lebanon

## 1 Purpose

This document provides the specified product requirements which are in addition to the USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) regulatory requirements for marketing U.S. bovine meat and meat products to Lebanon.

### 2 Scope

These requirements apply to U.S. suppliers (slaughterers, fabricators, and processors) of bovine meat and meat products that are eligible for export to Lebanon as listed on the FSIS website. Suppliers who produce products that have specified product requirements, in addition to the USDA FSIS regulatory requirements, must produce the eligible products under an approved USDA Quality System Assessment (QSA) Program. The requirements for the QSA Program are defined in *ARC 1002 Procedure, Quality System Assessment (QSA) Program*. The QSA Program ensures that the specified product requirements are supported by a documented quality management system.

#### **3** Reference Documents

ARC 1000 Procedure, Quality Systems Verification Program General Policies and Procedures ARC 1002 Procedure, Quality System Assessment (QSA) Program <a href="http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations-&-policies/Index of Import Requirements-by Country/index.asp-http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/arc/bevlisting.htm">http://www.ams.usda.gov/lsg/arc/bevlisting.htm</a>

# 4 Specified Product Requirements

- 4.1 Bovine meat and meat products that are eligible for export to Lebanon as listed on the FSIS website must be derived from animals less than 30 months of age.
- 4.2 Bovine meat and meat products must be derived from animals that were born, raised, and slaughtered in the U.S. or were legally imported.

#### 5 Listing of Approved Programs

U.S. companies who generate products that meet the specified product requirements for Lebanon are listed on the *Official Listing of Eligible Suppliers to Export for Lebanon*.

#### 6 Responsibilities

U.S. suppliers must meet all policies and procedures outlined in this Procedure, *ARC 1000 Procedure*, *Quality Systems Verification Program General Policies and Procedures*, and *ARC 1002 Procedure*, *Quality System Assessment (QSA) Program*.

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